

PRICE \$2½ PER MONTH

## Intimations.

**HONGKONG CHORAL SOCIETY.**

**PROGRAMME OF MUSIC for the**  
**CONCERT in the CITY HALL,**  
**THURSDAY EVENING, 26th APRIL.**  
Commencing at 8 o'clock.

PART I.

1. *Overture*—*L'italiana in Algeri*—*Rossini*  
2. *First Song*—"With, lovely Night"—*Bergoni*  
3. *Solo*—"Adelaide".....*Beethoven*  
4. *Violoncello Solo*—  
    *"Musette" by Jacques Offenbach*  
5. *Solo*—"Quando le sere al pianto".....*Verdi*  
6. *Two Gypsy Chorus in Prisons*.....*Wagner*

PART II.

1. *Overture*—"Il Barbiere di Siviglia".....*Rossini*  
2. *First Song*—"Old May Day"—*J. Brunetti*  
3. *Quintet*—"O who will o'er the Downs so free"  
    *Peerless*  
4. *Vocal Quartette*—"Lucia, di Lammermoor"  
    *Little Miller*  
5. "The Market Chorus," from *Masaniello*.....*Auber*  
6. "Solo and Chorus."  
    **GOD SAVE THE QUEEN.**

Tickets—Price, 2 Dollars each—may be obtained at Messrs. LANE, CRAWFORD & Co., who have a Plan of the Seats may be seen, and also the Door of the Hall on the night of the concert.

ROBERT G. ALFORD.

628 Hongkong, 26th April, 1875.

**THE Szean Ship**

"KWANGTUNG,"  
Captain Pitman, will be despatched for  
Hong Port on **THURSDAY**, the 20th inst.,  
at 8 A.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply to  
**DOUGLAS LATHRAIK & Co.**  
40 622 Hongkong, 25th April, 1875.

**FOR SHANGHAI**

**THE Russian Steamship**

"RUSSIA,"  
Commander, Master, shortly expected from Singapore, will have quick despatch as above.

For Freight or Passage, apply to  
**Wm. FUSHAU & Co.**  
Agents,  
40 623 Hongkong, 26th April, 1875.

**OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.**

**FOR SHANGHAI.**

Shipping Company, and of the freight rates for  
**HANKOW, NINGPO, and PORTS in JAPAN.**

"DEUCALION,"  
will be despatched on or about the 3rd May:

**FOR FREIGHT or Passage, apply to  
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents,  
624 Hongkong, 28th April, 1875.**

**FOR MANILA (Direct.)  
THE Steamship**

"**ESMERALDA**"

Captain Theband, expected to arrive from  
Manila on the 27th instant will have immediate  
dispatch on above.

**For Freight or Passage, apply to  
A. MACG. HEATON.  
620 Hongkong, 28rd April, 1875.**

**NOTICE.**

**ALL CLAIMS against the S.S. Beacon must  
be presented to me before being forwarded by TO-MORROW  
the 27th instant at Noon, or there will be no  
claim allowed.**

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.,  
Agents

ON 6157. HONGKONG, 24th April, 1875.  
FOR SALE.

**CHAMPAGNE**—Very Superior DR  
ROPER FRERES & Co. Epernay, CAL  
BLANCHE, in Quarts and Pints.  
CLARET—  
Very Superior CHATEAU LA ROSE.  
Superior CHATEAU LA GRANGE.  
T. G. LINSTAD.  
319 Hongkong, 24th February, 1875.

**Notices to Consignees.**

NOTICE.

TO CONSIGNEES OF OPTIONAL CARGO  
EX O. S. C. S. O'S. NESTOR,  
FROM LIVERPOOL.

SHIPPING Orders must be obtained from  
the undersigned later than the 25th  
instant, for shipment per **DISVALION**.  
**BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.**  
34 625 Hongkong, 26th April, 1875.  
S. S. LINDB.

**COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES  
MARITIMES.**  
NOTICE.

from London, in connection with the above Steamer, are hereby informed, that the Goods are being landed and stored at their risk.

to the Company's Godowns, whence delivered may be obtained from SATURDAY, at 10 A.M. Optional Cargo will be forwarded, under the consignment, to be received from the Consignee before TO-DAY, at 2 o'clock P.M., requesting to be loaded here.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the undersigned.

Cargo remaining unclaimed after TUESDAY, the 27th inst., at noon, will be subject to sale and landing charges.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

C. BERNARD, Principal Agent.

611 Hongkong, 22nd April, 1875.

FROM LONDON, PENANG, AND SINGAPORE.

MRS. S. AGON, Captain Epworth, having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and stored, at their risk, in the Godowns of Mr. A. MACG. HEATON, where delivery may be obtained.

Consignees are requested to take their Goods from the boats alongside the wharf at liberty TO-MORROW.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded on a steamer, unless notice be contrary is received before MON TO-DAY.

Goods remaining in store after the 28th inst. will be subject to rent.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by HOLLIDAY, WISSE & Co. Agents.

595 Hongkong, 19th April, 1875.

COMPAGNIE DES MISSISSAGBIERES MARITIMES.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

CONSIGNEES of the following Cargo are requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the undersigned, for countersignature, at

No fire insurance has been effected.

		Principal Agent.
FD, 1/36,	... ..	Ee "Donnai," 2nd July, 1874. 35 cases Beer.
BET	... ..	Ee "Fragmaddy," 11th March, 1875. 1 case Books.
V...	... ..	1 case Sundries.
RM	... ..	Ee S. S. "Pai-ho," 25th March, 1875.
PAI 17 }	... ..	1 case Sundries.

Es "Meikong," 8th April.

Hongkong, 13th April, 1875.







## THE RUSSIAN IN ORIENTAL ASIA.

Lieutenant Krivosheina, of the Russian Army, publishes in the Russian paper *Novoye Vremya* an account of a visit to Bokhara, in which he gives his impressions of the prestige of the Russian name among the people of Central Asia. "Our road," he said, "led from Samarkand direct across the top of the mountain into the valley of Schekistany, which has only been accessible to Europeans since the year 1870. We remained there a fortnight to explore the district and then proceeded to Bokhara and Bakhara. We entered Bokhara by caravan, during the whole of which period the Ameer and his harem were very courteous and obliging. It was only on the last day of our stay in Bokhara that the Ameer's presence was announced. A slight unpleasantness occurred. On the very day that had been fixed by the Ameer for giving us a farewell audience, he caused one of the Bokharan dignitaries, who had just come from Ghisur to him, to be executed in the most barbarous manner. The corpse, according to custom, was left during the whole day lying in the square in front of the palace. A short time after the execution the court officials of the Ameer came to beg us to prolong our residence for a day, and present ourselves before the Ameer immediately before our departure. But as the Ameer had just ordered the execution of the man, we considered it necessary to postpone the audience even for a few hours in order to give us the promised audience, we also did not think it necessary to give way to his caprice, and we accordingly left Bokhara without seeing him, only sending a farewell with our best wishes. Asiatists only understand and respect a firm peremptory course of action. It has already become the custom in the Khanates of Central Asia, to suspend all negotiations during the stay of Europeans in the country, the latter being usually regarded as the guests of the Khans. The Ameer and the Ameer of Bokhara did not comply with this custom. The incident did not, however, in any way alter the friendly relations between us and the Ameer. Our tour proved the great power of the influence of Russia on the people of Bokhara, who call their country 'noble' and 'the support of Islam.' No one could have anticipated four or five years ago that Russians would travel at liberty on the Bokhara road, and that the photographic apparatus, or still more that they should be allowed to ascend to the roof of the mosque in order to take the most effective view of the narrow and dirty city. Our journey to Bokhara was not without incidents, and we have not the smallest trace of Russian hatred towards them. The whole of the Administration of Bokhara is in a state of confusion, which occupies a position entirely distinct from the people, has been struck dumb, as it were, by the Russian victories and the advances of our arms. The Russian flag is everywhere. In Asia strength and energy are valued above all things."—*Full Mail Gazette*.

## AFTERNOON TEA.

It might seem singular to say so, but the true connection between gossip and tea is due to the partiality of ladies for that form of refreshment. Whatever difficult results the worship of Bacchus may lead to, especially when Mr. Quilpington points the moral, at least one associate must liquor with scandal. John Barclay may have much to answer for—no doubt is called upon to answer for a great deal more than he readily can—but of that we say nothing. Gossip is not one of his liabilities. It is strange that a plant, grown, cultivated, and prepared by the most silent and the most thoughtful people in one half of the world should be associated with the most noisy and the most indiscreet of the other. Even the great Ameer, whose three realms obeyed, sometimes took tea and sometimes took counsel in the same place. Pope knew too much of the matter to be able to imagine for an instant that the infusion of the Chinese herb was compatible with the political career and duties of the Sovereign. "Sometimes counsel takes and sometimes tea," are his very words; he does not say, for a moment that Scudoblog and statesmen went hand in hand.

We have reverted lately to the annals of our forefathers, and adopt tea on an afternoon meal. Whether we take it as a stimulant to the body or the mind, at least it appears about five o'clock; and an article that is headed "Afternoon Tea" might as readily be titled "Afternoon Gossip." The latter, however, is a more appropriate name for the subject, and we have chosen it. The subject is a most interesting one, and we have chosen it. The subject is a most interesting one, and we have chosen it.

## COMMERCIAL INTELLIGENCE.

There has been a weaker feeling in the market for the last two days. The following may be taken as the ruling prices:—New Patna 55 1/2 to 56 1/2, stock 55 1/2 to 56 1/2, Old Patna 55 1/2 to 56 1/2, stock 55 1/2 to 56 1/2, New Benares 55 1/2 to 56 1/2, stock 55 1/2 to 56 1/2, Old Benares 55 1/2 to 56 1/2, stock 55 1/2 to 56 1/2, New Calcutta 55 1/2 to 56 1/2, stock 55 1/2 to 56 1/2, Old Calcutta 55 1/2 to 56 1/2, stock 55 1/2 to 56 1/2, New Bombay 55 1/2 to 56 1/2, stock 55 1/2 to 56 1/2, Old Bombay 55 1/2 to 56 1/2, stock 55 1/2 to 56 1/2, New Madras 55 1/2 to 56 1/2, stock 55 1/2 to 56 1/2, Old Madras 55 1/2 to 56 1/2, stock 55 1/2 to 56 1/2, New Singapore 55 1/2 to 56 1/2, stock 55 1/2 to 56 1/2, Old Singapore 55 1/2 to 56 1/2, stock 55 1/2 to 56 1/2, New Penang 55 1/2 to 56 1/2, stock 55 1/2 to 56 1/2, Old Penang 55 1/2 to 56 1/2, stock 55 1/2 to 56 1/2, New Hongkong 55 1/2 to 56 1/2, stock 55 1/2 to 56 1/2, Old Hongkong 55 1/2 to 56 1/2, stock 55 1/2 to 56 1/2, New Shanghai 55 1/2 to 56 1/2, stock 55 1/2 to 56 1/2, Old Shanghai 55 1/2 to 56 1/2, 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### Extracts.

## THE TRUTH.

An army shat of lightning flame,  
 For, lo, the ministered him time;  
 Wind rose and the sound of Sirrah  
 It clave its way in burning words,  
 And, on a holy mission went,  
 Through languages and lands it went.  
 Some heard it, but they did not heed,  
 Some valianted and performed its deed,  
 Some, some, some, some, some, some,  
 They knew not what a power had come;  
 And, struggling to resist the light,  
 Were ensnared by its resistless might.

It harried the hearer's scorn of wrong,  
 The poet spouted it in his song;  
 It rose, it rose, it rose,  
 With it the mucker warmed the page;  
 And hasty crews awoke aware,  
 Dazzled and blinded by its glare.

O, speak from heaven, I touch by thy light  
 The fiercest bills with day are bright;  
 New words, new words, new words,  
 New words, new words, new words,  
 New words, new words, new words,  
 The ancient words that yet are cease,  
 We feed the thousand years of peace.

UP THE LINE  
WILL M. GARDNER

Through blinding storms and clouds of night,  
We smitely pushed our restless flight;  
With thundering hoar and warning neigh,  
We urged our steed upon his way.

Up the line!

Afar the lofty, handlight glanc'd;  
Afar the plain, which, dark and rears'd;  
And gleaming bright and ruddy high,  
Our flocks of firs bestrewn the sky.

Up the line!

'Adown the long, complaining track,  
Our wheels a message hurried back;  
And quivering through the rail ahead,  
Went news of our resistless tread.

Up the line!

The trees gave back our din and shout,  
And flung their shadow-arms about;  
And shivering in the coats of grey,  
They heard us rearing far away.

Up the line!

The wailing storm came on apace,  
And dashed its tears into our face;  
But steadily still we pierced it through,  
And cut the sweeping wind in two,  
Up the line!

A rattling rush across the ridge,  
A thunder-peal beneath the bridge;  
And valley and hill and sober plain  
Re-echoed our triumphant strain,  
Up the line!

And when the eastern streaks of grey  
Bespoke the dawn of coming day,  
We halted our steel, his journey o'er,  
And urged his gait form no more  
Up the line!

## VULTURES

Vultures are not nice birds. And why? Because, as we all know, it is their custom to flock round the bodies of those who are dying and dead, in order to satisfy their unhygienic greed. But are vultures the only bipeds who do this? Are there not human beings who, though they would be very much shocked at the comparison, yet do in fact drive a similar trade on the remains of their fellow-creatures. They may try to throw a veil of decency over it—a veil of the very best donkey black crape; and call it “respect to memory of the departed,” and so forth; but the vulture tendency is there, notwithstanding.

It is better to speak plain. Can anything be more odious, more offensive, more revolting to all real feeling, than the duties whirling in custom thrusts upon us immediately on the death of one we love? No matter how dear our griefs have been, how the past has been brightened by the presence of the departed, days and nights of protracted watching, it is all the same. The instant a death in kind of anyone above a certain social standard, (i.e., with money to be extracted), with delay the undertaker comes to the house to order. It is a happy thing if there are so many children to divide the burden of the sickening details. What sort of a coffin how many sarls and hat-stands? how many pairs of black gloves? how much mourning will you give your servants? &c., &c., to nothing of your own. And hardly have we settled this, when the cook wishes to know what is to be ordered for the funeral. Then find it is that you feel unable to cope with them, that you feel sorry; you would not for you would not give anyone the power to say that you failed in respect to your dead; at whatever cost you assent to everything, thus adding your weight to established precedents; and finally, when the bill comes, you find that your funeral expences only. Then comes your mourning; and the ladies of the family, we usually wear cotton or linsey gowns according to the time of the year, are doomed to about, though in strict seclusion, in robes of bombazine and crape, costing each as much as an ordinary bell-gown, and being very much exposed to the weather, whether it be cold in winter; they catch every particle of cold and spot with every drop of rain, and deprive their wearers of whatever little consolation they might find in occupying the selves with their flowers and country rambles. It is to be hoped that in the country the ladies are not so much exposed to the cold as in the city. It is only lately that I gave an entirely to this bondage, and I can state in occasional occasions; but it is only lately that much reason has dared to assert itself. It is strange, when one comes to think of why people have given money long. On the face of it, absurd to connect a char of nitro so intimately with a death, that the thought of it should cause grief and distress, which I thought I could get rid of. The same post which carries your heart-broken announcement to your distant friends, carries also your instructions to your tailor or your dressmaker; and upon the day of the funeral you are in all a agonising uncertainty "whether your thing is ready, or not, or whether it is better than a thing less than in time" for you to show in the last scene of all, and join in the Church's prayers and thanksgivings on laying your loved one in the grave.

Is it to be conceived that your presence  
there is to depend on the punctuality of your  
wheels? Is it to be conceived that your train  
will be late? In this most generous-minded  
world no one would dare to show himself or her  
unless arrayed in the conventional costume  
it could not be done. Certainly in the "H  
of Redeficiency." Any attend her husband  
funeral in his best gown, but in the "H  
of Redeficiency" and there was no one  
see her except her parents. The truth  
nothing could so completely have enslav  
us but the fact that these things come up  
as times when we are incapable of see  
person; and no poverty-stricken widow  
and a man with a suit of clothes. I  
go to all this expense, simply because th  
I dare not resist; they dare not have it an  
that they failed in respect to the dead. A  
not only they wear expensive mourning  
themselves, but they put their servants in  
mourning. I have seen a woman with a  
paraphernalia of scarfs and handkerchiefs, hand  
and black pumps.

As to mourning, it is really a custom of such antiquity and so consonant with human feelings that we would not wish to destroy it. But we do heartily wish it could be reduced to reasonable limits, and not made ridiculous or extravagant. We should like to abolish black craps altogether; it is so unchristian, and a very cruel and unnecessary custom, and if people would agree to wear plain black stuff without any ornament at all, it would be far more sensible and more really akin to the spirit of grief. As to so-called mourning and all the accessories thereto, we would thankfully see them abandoned; they can at best only draw down the thoughts of the spectators to the merely earthly part of death, and tend to prevent their rising upwards as Christian thought should.

But there is really only one way in which  
stand can be made against this tyranny

custom. It is by people leaving written instructions regarding their own funerals and the way in which they wish to be mourned. This at once removes responsibility from the survivors, and the plainest possibility of burial can be no sign of disrespect. It is by the express desire of the deceased.

There are, of course, some abuses in the fact item; scarcely in the interval over the year, you have the painful task of "valuations," i.e., going through everything in the house with an appraiser to make an estimate of the "personal property"; this is an exasperous duty which in an ordinary middle-sized gentleman's house averages from £10 to £20. These same portions would amount to about £150, and if the family happen to hold their property divided between the north and southern parts of England—the Courts of York and Canterbury—it is double that sum. These legal expenses cannot of course be avoided, and it is therefore useless to rail against the necessity of them.

"Co-operation" surely we might do something against the tyranny of servants and tradespeople in the matter of mourning. We would suggest the formation of a national, or international, league against undertakers, and let those who belong to it bind themselves to forbid certain extravagant expenses beforehand against the servants and undertakers and undertakings would then know that it would be useless to expect those phantasmagorical, to which even the most attached slave to look when death overtakes the house to which they belong. Everything, now hangs against "employers": wages are high; times is dear; we are repeatedly told that times are altered, and it is surely tolerable that we should have to pay more for the same circumstances. It is the so-called working classes who are doing their utmost to lessen the old ties, and it is surely not for them to complain if we also awake to the fact that the old order changes.—*John Bull*.

# AN ITALIAN CATHEDRAL

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## THE ASHANTEES.

The social institutions of Ashantee bear a strong resemblance to those which exist in other parts of Africa. Slavery, therefore, holds a prominent position amongst them. Slavery is a necessity of the Ashantee system of war; if not executed, become slaves of Misconduct and debt are fruitful sources of slavery. But from these causes many are slaves only for a time. A man may purge himself from his misconduct, or free himself from debt, and then he is no longer a slave. But with the Ashantees there is a system of pawning of liberty. For money, or for a valuable article, a man may pawn his freedom to the wife and children of another man, and the pawns are virtually slaves until they are redeemed. But the greater number of slaves were brought from the interior by the slave-merchants, who are mostly Mahomedans. They are procured in the first instance in the usual way. Tribe wars with tribe, and the captives are sold to the merchants; or the merchants themselves make war on their own countrymen, and sell the captives to the slave-merchants. At Ashantee, where gold is plentiful, whereas in the very streets of Coomassie are said to be the imprugated with the precious metal, a ready market is found for slaves. It has become the fashion with the great men of the tribe to multiply slaves, so that it is not uncommon for one man to own more than a thousand slaves. But slavery with them is not so degrading as with more civilized peoples. Slavery is not a punishment, and in most parts the slaves are simply regarded as dependants, who on state occasions contribute to their master's retinue, and follow him to war. In no case does slavery become the opprobrium in Africa—that is, amongst the Africans—that it does in other parts of the world. The distinction between master and slave is not so broad. Of course there are cruel and cruel masters and cruel slaves. In some instances, as now and where they exist, a slave is cruelly restrained by the same superstitious dread of witchcraft, which keeps the king in check. Polygamy is another popular institution with the Ashantees. As a man in the rank of a chief, or a prince, or a king, is raised in the scale of Ashantee society, so does the number of his wives increase. The wife of a king separates the least from the greatest may be estimated by the fact, that the king of Ashantee has more than a thousand wives. A king may have three hundred three hundred and thirty-three. Beyond that number the custom of the country, which is another opinion for popular opinion, does not permit him to go. This limitation, while thought it may be, is an improvement upon the custom of some other tribes that are more in favour of it with us. Amongst the Makololo, for instance, the people whom Livingston has named, a man is not permitted to marry more than one wife married or single, must be the wife of the chief, if so the chiefs will, and when the daughter of Solitane succeeded her father as the supreme personage of the tribe, she naturally concluded that she was entitled to claim every man for her husband. The difficulties that were created by this claim ultimately led her to resign the chieftainship.

## A FREE LUNCH.

"The 'free lunch' is one of the 'institutions' of America, is provided with unusual liberality in the Crescent City. It has no connection with Mr. Bright's ideal free breakfast, which is considered in this country as the consummation of luxury. I have heard of ordinaries in the old country at which dinner was given gratis, but you were expected to order a bottle of wine, the price of which was made to cover the cost of the whole repast. I have also been told of people who tried to get the better of the Excise by selling you a straw, and at the same time making you a present of a glass of something to drink. The enjoyment of my free lunch is not marred by any restriction on the part, there is any such dodge. About it, digestion is not impaired by quinine or anconazole, I have defrauded no one. I have eaten of the best, I am satisfied, and I am welcome. I pay for my glass of sherry, my 'brandy squit' (the New Orleans equivalent, and not a good one, for brandy), or my 'chop,' of ale, exactly the same amount as I should expect for such beverages if I took them at a wine merchant's. I have no objection if I am a waiter, and a host of it, that I will have no money in my pocket to drink withal, I may eat my fill, and no one will say me nay. The free lunch is spread in symposiums the like of which are unknown to you. Your pester-covered bar, with a fat publican behind it, wheezing in an atmosphere of stale beer and sweet biscuits, or your refreshment saloon, resplendent with colour-

THE MOST MISERABLE PROVINCE OF  
CENTRAL AMERICA

Of the three mainland provinces, which are well known by the name of Central American Republics, Honduras is the most infernally hot. It is 86,200 miles, the greater portion of which is inhabited by savages. The country possesses no road or means of transportation. In a district called Gracias, tobacco is cultivated, but elsewhere there is little but impure cane sugar, and a little wheat, which is cultivated on high and there is some small village. The town, called half-breed, Comayagua, the capital, was once a considerable town, but, it is now a population amounts to only 9,000. The entire number of the inhabitants of the country is only 250,000, and of these there are about 30,000 who are Indians or half-breeds. Beneath the surface of the country, there has been very little for years. The exports are a few hides and cattle to the neighbouring state of San Salvador, a little tobacco and indigo, and at times some mahogany. These trees grow freely in the interior; but as Honduras mahogany commands but a low price in the distant market, they only grow to a trifling extent, and are then sent up to the country to the coast. The revenue of the country is about \$27,000, and this is swallowed up by a horde of hungry greedy officials. In the capital is a large house which is the dream of every official to occupy as President, and this object is attained by bribing a gang of rascals, who are satisfied with a few dollars, and then they hope to occupy the large house for long, but generally endeavour to pick up as much as possible whilst he is in it; and if by chance any one offers him an opportunity of making money by granting a concession, he does at once with the proposal.—*The World.*

## AFFINITIES.

A female writer, speaking of similarities, observes that a woman now and then meets a man to whom she can truthfully say, "On the barren shores of time, O my soul's kinsman! I have found in thee my 'pearl of great price,' and there is nothing more precious." We have no doubt that this is the case, and while we would not rudely mar the sweet poetic beauty of the picture thus summed up, our experience teaches us that the woman who begins by taking in this sugary manner are usually prone to throw flat-irons at their "soul's kinsman" after marriage, and to growl at the "pearl of great price," because he comes to lead with his feet cold. — *American paper.*

**POWER OF BEAUTY.**

"A woman is only as old as the 1008," says the proverb, and the queen of France was a woman who experienced the most famous enjoyment on record; and, as the siege of Troy lasted a decade, she could not have been very juvenile when the ill fortune of Paris restored her to her husband, who is said to have been in the prime of his life, combining love and gratitude. Pericles wedded Aspasia, when she was thirty-six; and yet she afterward, for thirty years or more, wielded an undiminished reputation for beauty. Cleopatra was past thirty when Antony fell in love with her, and she died, after his death, nearly ten years after; and Livia was thirty-three when she won the heart of Augustus, over whom she maintained her ascendancy to the last. More modern history tells us of the extraordinary Diana de Spino, who was married to the Duke of Orleans, afterwards Henry II., became attached to her. Anne of Austria was thirty-eight when she was described as the handsomest queen of Europe.

**HONGKONG MARKETS.**

As Reported for Chicago on the 24th April, 1876.			Hemp, 100 lbs. 12.00		
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### SHIPPING IN THE CANTON WATERS.

Vessels.	Captain.	Flag & Reg.	Tons.	Consignees.	Destination.	Vessels.	Captains.	Flag & Reg.	Tons.	Consignees.	Destination.
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## U. S. SHIPS IN THE CHINA SQUADRON.

YOKOHAMA.						
Name.	Sig.	Tons.	Captain.	Where At.		In port on 13th April, 1875.
Audacious	double ss. frigate	14	P. H. Colomb	Hongkong		
Challenger	double ss. gun vi	800	Comd. M. J. Thomson	Yokohama		
Therbellis	clash corvette	17	Captain T. B. Smith	Hongkong	Whitney	Hav. bk 330 Captain
Guder	double ss. gun vi	3	Comdr. E. J. Church	Nagasaki	Bixton	Brit. sh 357 Wilmot & Robison
Dwarf	double ss. gun vi	3	Comdr. Hon. Dawson	Shanghai	Ooster	Brit. sh 600 James L. Co.
Egeria	double along	4	E. Turton	Hongkong	Anged	Brit. al 620 Ordal
Begonia	double ss. gun vi	4	Comdr. John Bruce	Singapore	Polvy	Brit. sch 35 Ordal
Brazil	double ss. gun vi	4	Comdr. C. E. Buckle	Yokohama	Brockwaldo	Ger. bk 371 Thomas
Grolier	double ss. gun vi	4	Comdr. W. Stewart	Amoy	Rappingston	Amr. sch 106 Captain
	double ss. gun vi	4	Comdr. T. H. Ross	En route to Hongkong	Triton	Amr. bk 264 Captain

ble sc. gun. vl.	4	120	Comdr. Cameron	Hon.
ble sc. gun. vl.	4	100	Comdr. Theobald	Esq.

Control	500 tons	3	160	Comdr. Sir W. Wise	Singapore
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W. canoe	military hospital				Shanghai
double keel, gun v.l.		4	120	Comdr. Gmst.	En route to Hankow
double keel, gun v.l.		14	360	Captain A. Butler	Rok
double keel, gun v.l.		4	80	Lieut. Omar. Paul	Hongkong
double keel, gun v.l.		3	100	Capt. Singleton	Hankow
double keel, gun v.l.		2	60	Lieut. Omar. Bultho	Kobe
double keel, gun v.l.		1	160	Captain St. John	En route to Hongkong
double keel, gun v.l.		4	100	Capt. H. J. Ward	Singapore
double keel, gun v.l.		4	120	Capt. F. Stirling	Hongkong
double keel, gun v.l.		2	600	Capt. J. E. Parish	En route to Hankow
double keel, gun v.l.		3	350	Comdr. H. C. D. Ryder	
receiving ship					
deep draft vessel					

FOREIGN MEN-OF-WAR IN HARBOUR.					
Name.	Nation.	Tons.	Class.	Captain.	
Azizine	German cor.	1883		Kuhn	
Dang-wei	Am. gun boat	350		O'Sullivan	
Earford	U.S. frigates	2900		D. B. Harmony	
Kearsage	U.S. corvette			R. F. B. Lewis	
Kantio	U.S. corvette	490		McDougal	

Angatara	Ger. br.	330	Smith, Bell & Co
Amur. sh.	1033		Smith, Bell & Co
Span. bk.	517		Z. Lianze
Span. bk.	312		Bellet al Co
Am. sh.	998		Peele, Hubbard & Co
Span. bk.	335		J. Loretto
Dut. bk.	360		R. Passa
Span. bk.	403		F. Reyes
Span. bk.	440		Acquiro & O
Span. bk.	246		F. Manos
Brit. sh.	637		Smith, Bell & Co
Brit. sh.	685		Russell & Kruger
Span. bk.	667		
Brit. bk.	379		J. Richardson & Co
Brit. sh.	638		Smith, Bell & Co
Ger. bk.	456		H. Reunanz & O
Amr. sh.	1118		Smith, Bell & Co
Amr. sh.	1005		Russell & Kruger
Amr. sh.	1093		Smith, Bell & Co

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